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Requirements for parole consideration when reviewing an offender with a life sentence.

Section 1. Definitions.

- (1) “Board” is defined by KRS 439.250(5).**
- (2) “Person serving a life sentence” means a person serving a sentence of life with the possibility of parole.**

Section 2. Parole Consideration for a person serving a life sentence.

- (1) Consideration for parole shall comply with KRS 439.340.**
- (2) A parole denial for a person serving a life sentence shall include:**
 - (a) The same information as parole denial for other offenders; and**
 - (b) On an initial parole eligibility hearing the deferment will be no longer than 120 months:**
 - 1. A serve out will not be issued at the initial parole eligibility hearing; and**
 - 2. Any subsequent parole eligibility hearing will have the full range of decisions available to the Board.**

Section 3. Parole Consideration for a person serving a life sentence issued a serve out at their initial review prior to the issuance of this directive

- (1) Serve outs issued at the initial parole eligibility hearing to a Person serving a life sentence are hereby converted to 120-month deferments.**

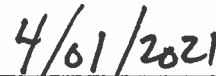
(2) Persons serving a life sentence with a serve out converted to a 120-month deferment will receive a parole eligibility hearing on the new calculated date.

(3) Where the conversion of the serve out to a 120-month deferment results in a parole eligibility date that has passed, the Person serving a life sentence will receive a parole eligibility hearing within six months after the date of this Directive.

This Directive is issued in accordance with the approval of the Kentucky Parole Board to promulgate an Administrative Regulation for Parole Eligibility Hearings for offenders with life sentences.



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